"SPIRIT OF THE KNIGHTS" Knights of Columbus #11669, St. Matthew Catholic Church, Lake Worth, FL February 9, 2025

The Meeting was called to order and the Knights processed a few pieces of business relating to the State Convention in May. The Delegates for the convention were selected: Paul Turner, Grand Knight and Ray Abair, District Deputy and Deputy Grand Knight, were selected as the Council Representatives to the 2025 State Convention in Jacksonville on Memorial Day Weekend. The Council also voted to pay the cost of the hotel for the three nights. John Hunt and Andy Plucinski have been appointed as alternates if either man is unable to attend.

The new Council banner was displayed, and it looks really sharp! The Grand Knight reviewed the plans for the Knights at the Races to be held on February 21 at 7:00 PM. It sounds like a fun time. ALL KNIGHTS ARE INVITED TO COME!!! AND BRING A FRIEND!!!

The volunteer sign up-sheets were set out for men to sign up for working at the many events of the Knights and the parish events that require Knight attendance to produce the MANY activities throughout the year. We need volunteers to make St. Matthew Catholic Church a strong and active parish for the many parishioners who attend the assorted functions presented. Don't forget the Knights of Columbus Mass served by our council on the Second Sunday of each month at 10:30 am. We start with the Rosary program at 10:00 am, we serve at mass as ushers, eucharistic ministers, lector and gift bearers. Additionally, all of the Priests and Deacons are members of the Knights. It really looks great seeing the men in their blue Knight shirts!!

The 50/50 drawing was held at the end of the meeting; it was announced that food would be served at the end of each meeting starting with the February meeting – the pizzas for the February meeting were the gift of Deacon Andy Plucinski. Going forward, each month, two men will volunteer to provide the snack after the monthly business meeting. I can't wait to see what we're having in March!

If you are a third-degree member, start thinking about perhaps becoming a Council Officer. Election nominations begin in April. It is important for men to take on some leadership roles. It is rewarding and is a marvelous way to show your commitment and faith.

*** The road to failure is paved with the path of least persistence.

God Bless,

Paul S. Turner, Grand Knight

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